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SUNDAY, JUNE 17, 1900.

MOVING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION It is announced in Washington that the administration has determined to abandon its non-interference policy in China and has determined to assert, and defend American rights there by force, if necessary. A considerable land force will probably be sent from the Philippine Islands to co-operate with the naval force now in

This is a sensible resolution upon Mr. McKinley's part, and in spite of all the clamor one shall hear from the demagogues in regard to imperialism and expansion, the President will find that the American people will heary endorse and approve of his course, if he pursues this one.

of the East are perfectly evident now. First. Everything connected with western civilization is about to be expelled from China and will be expelled unless the West promptly marches to the support of its connections there; and,

Two things in connection with the affairs

Second. In the melee that is at hand, it may very well pan out that China shall be parted up and divided up amongst the European Powers now acting in concert in moving upon China.

present and prospectus in China, and it behooves us therefore to sean the situation calmly, but most critically, and to do whatever seems necessary to guard and protect both classes of our interests. We cannot sit supinely by and see the Chinese expel from China our citizens, who have been invited to come and settle there and their rescue. We are simply compelled, therefore, by every dictate of manhood and humanity to interfere now and with vigor to protect the American citizens, whose lives and property are at this moment

But further and beyond this. China has enormous possibilities in the way of trade and traffic for the future. We have treaties with her which guarantee to us most important commercial rights, and if we maintain these rights unimpaired, they may and almost certainly will be the source of enormous profits to our people in the future. We cannot shirk from the task of asserting and maintaining our rights now. Now is the seed time, and if we sow with intelligence and frankness, we will reap a harvest for which Americans will thank us in many generations

Our rights in China must be maintained, and the President must act promptly and decisively in maintaining them; and he will find that the American people will sustain him in whatever he does that nims singly and in good faith to assert and maintain this countrys' rights and opportunities in the Chinese Empire.

#### EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION.

The Richmond Dispatch makes a good point when it says that the Constitutional Convention would do well to deal with the subject of local exemptions from taxation for a certain class of industries.

Our present Constitution declares that taxation shall be equal and uniform, and that no property shall be exempt from State taxation except such as is specifically enumerated. The framers of that time-honored provision evidently had it in mind that this should apply to local taxation as well as to State taxation, and we think it would be well when the new Constitution is framed to have the provision made so plain as that there can be no such thing as mistaking its meaning.

The whole question of local exemption is wrong in principle and contrary to Democratic dietrine. Taxation should b equal and uniform as far as it is possible to make it so, and there should be no discrimination for or against any class of citizens. Democrats have always denounced the Republicans for making a protective tariff favorable to a certain class of manufacturers, and yet these same Democrats apply the same principle in the conduct of their local government. It is argued that some of the cities of Virginia have succeeded in establishing valuable manufacturing plants by exempting them for a term of years from local sure, however, that there is a single fac-

there been no exemption from taxation as an inducement, It is very true that where two towns with equal advantages are blidding for a new manufacturing plant the town that offers as an inducement local exemption will naturally get the plant, but that sort of competition is unfair and contrary to public policy. The towns of Virginia ought not to be permitted to compete with each other in this way. It will be better for good government and better for all interests if Virginla insists upon the universal principle of equal and uniform taxation in every city and town in the State.

MR. BRYAN, THE STATESMAN. If The Times has a good deal to say in opposition to the nomination of Mr. William J. Bryan for the Presidency, it is not that it has any sort of enmity for Mr. Bryan, but because it wants to see the Democratic party elect a President, and it does not believe it possible for the party to elect Mr. Bryan. The Times has already said that if the party adopts a Democratic platform and nominates Mr. Bryan also, it will support Mr. Bryan in spite of its fear that he cannot be elected. Our discussions of him, therefore, are purely impersonal. We want to see a Democrat elected President, and Mr. Bryan cannot secure the votes that a real Democrat can.

The statesman is the man of practical affairs. He finds disorder and confusion, conflicting opinions persistently men split into factions without acknowledged head, and he seizes upon this jumble with a giant's grasp, points out the path of safety so clearly that all are convinced that it is the right one and leads a people from dangerous ground to safe ground. How does Mr. William J. Bryan measure up to this definition of the statesman? Some days back we anaiyzed his proposed remedles for what he esteems the grievance of trust, and we showed that they were as weak and ineffective as withes of straw upon a giant's limbs. Now we have him after all his declamations against "imperialism" declaring the measures that he would adopt in respect to the Philippine Islands, and what do they amount to In an interview which he has recently given out he uses this language: "What do I think should be done in the Philippines? I think this country should tell those people that we are there only for the purpose of establishing a stable government, and that when we have done that, we should turn the islands over to the people there and protect them against foreign aggression as we have protected the South American republics." And after all the row that has been made this is Mr. Bryan's practical solution of the difficulties. It reminds us of the remedy for disorder in a social club, suggested by one of its managers. He hung up all over its walls a placard calling on members when they saw another member disorderly "to call his attention to his Cloughtlessness." How much more would the Filipinos believe our statement that we were going to leave there after we had conquered them, than they believe our present statment that we are going to give them their own autonomous government under our supervision as soon as we restore order? The Filipino does not believe our present statement, because he sees us coming a him with arms in our hands. what makes him distrust us. He would distrust us just the same whatever our plea, so long as we sought to make it good with repeating rifles. If Mr. Bryan has not sufficient knowledge of the human mind and heart to know that this is so, then he has even less of the elements of the statesman in him than we have given him credit for.

#### LABOR SOUTH AND NORTH,

The New York Evening Post says that a change is gradually taking place in the nationality of cotton mill employes in New England. That in some of the Connecticut and Rhode Island mills Greeks are being hired, while in many of the Fall River mills preference is being given to Portuguese and Polanders, who have been arriving there rapidly in the last twelve months. That is where the Southern mills have an advantage over those of New England. The operatives in Southern mills are to the manor born, They have grown up in a Southern atmosphere, and they possess those peculiar qualities and qualifications which have always characterized and distinguished the true Southerner in peace and in war. They are a homogeneous mass, of simple tastes and of peaceable and contented disposition. That is why there is so little of strife between labor and capital in this section. That is why the South is so free from strikes. That is one of the most potent reasons why the cotton industry in the South is making such phenomenal progress.

A WRETCHED PRETENDER. Some of our Virginia contemporaries are paying their respects to the fellow who writes anonymous letters to persons and newspapers, and all agree that he is a eoward and usually a malicious coward, possessing all the characteristics of the assassin. We join the chorus and by way of illustration remark that an anonymous scribler recently sent a communication to this paper, in which he said that some people believed that The Times was the organ of the Whiskey Trust and made other assertions equally as false and contemptible. And this cowardly poltroon actually posed as a temperance reformera prohibitionist. He was not only a poltroon, but a fraud. The true prohibitionist is sometimes a crank, but never a coward. He possesses in an eminent degree the highest courage-the moral courage of conviction. He always lights in the open and is always ready to stand up and declare himself. That is why he and The Times, in spite of their differences, are such good friends.

#### A VICTORY FOR SCIENCE.

Dr. Arthur R. Reynolds, Health Commissioner of the city of Chicago, recently gave the people an agreeable surprise and at the same time an object-lesson in public texation. For our part we are not at all | during 1894-98 was 14.4 per thousand as compared with a like rate of 40.6 per thoutory in any town of this State which sand in 1845-54. The improvement is in

would not have been erected even had the water supply, street cleaning, construction and sanitation of dwellings and so on. Is not this an overwhelming argument in favor of public sanitation? We renew our suggestion that the housekeepers of Richmond organize a Society for the Promotion of Public Cleanliness.

There is a class of men and women who think that the little things of life are not worth while. They are careless in their dress and careless about speaking to acquaintances as they pass them on the treet, careless about making social calls, observing the proprieties and careless about showing those little attentions which are recognized in polite society, and which go to make up the annuities of life. Careless people regard such things as "trifles" and say that trifles are not worth while. We are not delivering a lecture, but we say that the man who neglects his person, who neglects to keep in touch with his acquaintances, who neglects to be agreeable, who neglect to observe the unwritten rules of society, needs not be surprised when society neglects to recognize him. Neglect is the enemy that sows the tares in the wheat.

#### CURRENT TOPICS. "I don't care to brag about the South,

but there are a great many persons who The Value of have emigrated to the West who now wish they Virginia Lands, had never left this section of the country," said Mr. Thomas Newton, of Richmond, to the Washington Post, "They fail to see that in Virginia alone is some of the richest land in the country. Years ago our State was in the lead. We had slaves. They did the work. After the war a great many of our wealthy citizens were bankrupt. They left the South. The poorer classes have not had the energy to cultivate the land in the way it should be done. But the Southerners who emigrated to the West and Northwest are tired of the snow and privations of prairie life. They are anxiious to come back. They are coming back. They have the experience of life in a northern climate. They have had to work

now to work when they return." We do not know who Mr. Thomas Newton, of Richmond, is, but he is a sensible man and his judgment is good. Southern lands are cheap and the South is alto-gether the most desirable section of the which in which to live. Be he white or ek, the man who has been raised in its never feels at home in any other

out their own salvation. They will know

The Baston Globe gives out the follow

ing scrap of political history: A Bit of Political "The evolution of politi-

cal conventions is a very History. interesting matter to review. Perhaps most of us are aware that previous to 1832 there were no national conventions. Candidates were nominated and previous to that by State legislatures. But one man of all our Presidents has had the honor of being the candidate of no political party, but of the whole people without regard to party, and that man was George Washington. It is a fact worth remembering. The oldest national issue to divide the country was that between the Federalists and Republicans now Democrats), Thomas Jefferson having been the first nominee as Republican candidate for President. Washington was an unyielding Federalist, Jefferson, the Republican idol, defeated John Adams, a Sederallst, in 1800. From Jefferson to ackson the successful candidates for resident had been denominated Repub-cans. In Jackson's time the term Democratic Republican came into vogue, the Federalists having become the national Republicans. These latter were evolved into the Whirs. It was in 1834 that the Demo-cratic Republicans first took the name of Democrats, which they have ever since

#### AFTERMATH.

Mr. John R. McLean, editor of the Cincinnati Enquirer, sailed for Europe yesterday to visit the Paris Exposition. Before he left, however, it is said that he sent his check for \$25,000 to Mr. William J. Bryan to be used as part of the Democratic campaign fund.

Murat Halstead tells the New York Herald that the Republican delegates to the Philadelphia Convention concede that there is no possibility of defeating Bryan for the nomination, and express the belief that Bryan will dictate the platform to promulgated. They say that the platform will be more radical than that of

Comptroller Bird S. Coler, of New York, recently purchased at Campaign, Ill., the cottage in which he was born thirty-five years ago. The price paid was \$1,800, and Mr. Coler said that the proudest moment of his life was when he secured the house.

It is said that a son of Li Hung Chang will enter Harvard University next fall.

Representative Jonathan P. Doillyer, who may be the next candidate for Vice-President, is a man that does not swear, nor smoke, nor chew; in fact, he is said to have none of the small vices and bad habits of which most men are victims. He is forty-two years old and has been in public life for the last twelve. He is considered one of the best orators in the House of Representatives.

#### Tension.

The night was round and dark and still And hollow as a sphere, Belted with iron memories, Bolted with bars of fear.

The loud hush beat upon my face, The blackness reeled and sang, When from an outer undreamed place A sudden bird-note sprang.

All in the middle of the night,

Hollow and grim—but hark!
That blissful note unbound my throat,
Unwound the tightening dark. A chaffinch, dreaming in ther sleep

Of purple thistic balm, Released the spell of silence fell; The night grew wide and calm. —Florence Wilkinson, in July New Lip-Very Necessary.

A minister of a rural parish in Scotland observed one of his flock shooting a hare on the Sabbath.

When catechising day came round he "John, do you know what a work of necessity is?" questioned him as follws:

Her Work. "Kind lady," he inquired as he inspected the staff of a great daily journal,

"what is your work in this journalistic establishment?"

"I write the 'Reveries of a Bachelor,' kind sir," she 'replied sweetly.—Detroit Free Press.

Discomforts of Home Comforts. "That's a cozy-looking couch, old man."
"Yes; but I never go near it."
"What's the matter?"

"Well, there are only three pillows that I'm allowed to put my head on, and I can't stand the wear and tear of picking hem out from the other seven."-Chicago

Infallible. "They are thinking of praying for rain," Nonsense!" we replied. "Better hold a picnic."—Harper's Bazaar.

## AFFAIRS IN GLOUCESTER.

School Exercises of Academy and Home School.

Home School.

GLOUCESTER COURTHOUSE, VA.,
June 15.—Special.—The closing exercises
of the Gioucester Academy for boys and
the Summerville Home School for girls
were held at Summerville June 12th. The programme consisted of plays, recitations, vocal and instrumental music. Mr. John Tabb and Miss Lella Du Val are the teachers. Several scenes from the Rivals were acted in a remarkably fine style for

Miss Marion Smith, of Glen Roy, left yesterday for Richmond. She was accum-panied by her nephew, Mr. Seddon Carrington, who has been visiting her for the ast ten days.

Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Dixon, Sr., of North Carolina, are the guests of their son, Rev. Thomas Dixon, Jr., of Elming-

Miss Elizabeth Lee left to-day for Berryville, Clarke county, where she expects to emain a month. Miss Lelia Du Vall is a guest at the

Rectory. Mr. Walter S. Graecen, who has been Mr. Walter S. Graecell, who has dead a student at the Gloucester Academy for the past session, returns to his home in New York to-day.

Rev. William B. Lee returned home from Norfolk yesterday from a trip of a

tew days.

Mr. John R. Newcomb, of White Marsh
Postoffice, is recovering from a short
spell of illness.

Mr. J. L. Tallaferro, of Church Hill,

left for Baltimore to-day.

Mr. and Mrs. Reade, of Altoona, Pa.,
who have been the guests of Mrs. Richard Byrd, returned to their home this

Miss Anne B. Jones and her brother, William C. Jones, left this morning for Richmond. Mrs. J. Albert Taliaferro, daughter of the late M. B. Seawell, of Gloucester

county, after a long sickness, died at 10:30 A. M. to-day, at her husband's home, at Gloucester Point, Va.

#### BERRYVILLE'S MONUMENT.

The Unveiling to Take Place in

The Unveiling to Take Place in July.

BERRYVILLE, VA., June 15—Special.—
A consolidation of all committees having in charge the parade and unveiling of the Confederate monument at Berryville in July, has been effected. The meeting was held at Mr. A. Moore, Jr.'s office. Mr. Moore was elected chairman and Mr. Blackburn Smith secretary. The following organizations were represented: the J. E. B. Stuart Camp, C. V., Stonewall Chapter, Daughters of Confederate Veterans, J. E. B. Stuart Camp, Sons of Confederate ter, Daughters of Confederate Veterans, J. E. B. Stuart Camp, Sons of Confederate Veterans and Clitzens Lodge, Jr. O. U. A. M. Mr R. Powell Page was elected chief marshal of the parade. Mr. A. Moore, Jr., was elected chairman of unveiling exercises. Miss Mary Gold, the attractive daughter of Senator Thomas E. Gold, was selected to useful the meanurement. No oraselected to unveil the monument. No ora-tor has been chosen for the occasion as yet and the day and date of the same will

yet and the day and date of the same will be made known at a later day.

Mr. F. V. Tilford, of New York, is at the home of Judge S. J. C. Moore.

Mrs. Lewis Hyde, of Now York, spent several days during the past week at the home of Mr. Burwell McGuire.

Miss Mamie White is visiting Miss Pennybacker at Mt. Jackson.

Mr. Frank McCormick is at home from the University of Virginia.

the University of Virginia.

Miss Gertrude McCormick has returned Miss Gertrude McCormick has returned from Alexandria, where she has been at-tending school at the Arlington Institute. Miss M. W. Blackburn and Mrs. Wm. B. Harris are visiting Mrs. E. S. Kownshar. Miss Annie McLeod. of Washington, is the guest of the Misses Page Miss Mary Claggett is visiting friends in

Rev. Scollay Moore, of Parkersburg, W Va., is visiting his father, Judge J. C

Mr. J. S. Ware has returned from a visit Miss Laura Gold has gone to Virginia Beach, on a short visit. Miss Florence Wheat has returned from

Mr. and Mrs. J. End Ogden are visiting relatives in Warrenton.

Miss Louise Clagett is visiting friends in Moorefield, W. Va

#### WEST POINT APPLICANTS.

Three to Choose From—Trained Nurses Graduate.

DURHAM, N. C., June 16 .- Special .-There were nine applicants who stood the examination held here for the West Point appointment from this section, three of whom the board will recommend to Con-gressman W. W. Kitchen to select from. They all did well, and the board will take several days to decide on the three names to be sent up.

The firm of C. E. Fleming & Co., of

Creedmore, Granville county, has assigned. They did a large business.

The training school of the Watts Hos-

pital graduated four nurses yesterday. Rev. Dr. W. C. Tyree, Rev. Dr. J. C. Norman and Mr. George W. Watts made addresses. The diplomas were ov Professor Jerome Dowd, secretary of

the Board of Trustees
Trinity College will increase the scholarships fifty, the examinations for which are

to take place July 18th.

A party of Tennessee editors passed through here yesterday for Morehead City. The Durham Fire Dipartment held a carnival last night, and realized a hand-some amount to help pay their expenses to the State Firemen's Tournament, to be held in Wilmington. Crops are suffering from the hot weath-

er and want of rain.

#### A Crushing Affair.

NORFOLK, VA., June 16.—The tenth annual convention of the Inter-State Cot-ton Seed Crushers' Association closed this morning at Old Point Comfort. The Assomorning at the Point Comfort. The Asso-ciation chose New Orleans as the next place of meeting, and the time between May 10th to 15th. The exact date will be decided upon by the Executive Commit-

tee.
At 11 o'clock this morning the members of the Association were received aboard the steamer Louisville, of the Southern Railway, as the guests of that company, and enjoyed a trip around Norfolk harber to Norfolk, the navy yard and other winter of interest.



# FRESH GOSSIP

A Lad's Thrilling Experience With a

MRS. CALVIN S. BRICE SUED

York's Population - A Woman Gave Her Baby to Another Woman Who Admired It.

Lost His Fortune at Roulettc-New

NEW YORK, June 16.—Special.—Andrew Machofsky, sixteen years of age, had a thrilling experience at Coney Island yes-terday afternoon. The Herald tells the story as follows:

Story as follows:

One of the attractions at Coney Island is a balloon ascension and a parachute drop. The aeronaut is known as "Kid Benjamin." He gives no other name.

While the balloon was being inflated yes-

terday afternoon no visitor was more in-terested than Andrew Malchofsky, who lives in North Seventh Street, Brooklyn. Finally "Kid Benjamin" gave the word

Thaily "Nil Beginning good to let go.

The balloon shot upward. Even while the crowd was cheering one of the dangling ropes whipped around Malchofsky's right leg, making a half hitch, and before he knew what had happened he was high the she air.

HUNG HELPLESS IN MIDAIR. He hung helpless half way between the balloon and parachute in constant danger that the rope would loosen and let him

The watching crowd saw him glance downward and then make preparations to save the lad's life.

save the lad's life.

He shouted to the boy to grasp the rope with both hands and hold on tight. When these instructions had been obeyed he clambered down from his perch beneath the balloon and succeeded in knotting the rope securely about the boy's body below his arms.

Beginning all not done to make his ourselections.

Benjamin did not dare to make his cus-

tomary parachute jump, leaving the lad attached to the balloon.

He sat fast and the balloon, cooling, gradually settled earthward, finally coming to rest only a few blocks from where it arose, Malchotsky waited only to be released before militure for leave a feet. released before making for home as fast as a trolley car would carry him. RECOVERED HER JEWELS.

About a year ago the custom officers seized \$64,000 worth of jewels belonging to Mrs. Phyllis E. Dodge, which she had brought to this country. Mrs. Dodge sued to recover the jewels, and Judge Brown decided the case in her favor. He said that in order to prove her guilty of smug-ling with intent to defraud the government must be proven.

The census-takers have not completed their work in New York, but many people

are already making guesses as to what the population will be. It is predicted that the census will show a population for New York of 3,700,000, which will be a gain of 1,180,000 over the last census

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SHOCKED BY LIGHTNING.

Mrs. Franklin Vail, of the Burough of

Queens, is suffering from shock by lightning. Mrs. Vail and Mrs. Schmulck, of

ning. Mrs. Vall and Mrs. Schmulck, of Canarsie, were walking near the school-house at Evergreens last evening, when a bolt struck the pole on top of the school-house and shattered it.

The current was attracted by the steel rod in Mrs. Vail's umbrella. She felt a peculiar sensation and sank to the ground unconscious. The lightning wrecked her umbrella. Mrs. Schmulck was slightly shocked.

A sensational suit has been brought by A sensational suit has been brought by

Mrs. Mebel Clarke against Mrs. Katherine Olivia Brice, widow of the late Senator Calvin S. Brice, for \$50,000.

The sum which Mrs. Clarke asks represent sents the expectations she had of Senator Brice's will, but he died without leav-

ing any will.

Mrs. Clarke is a strikingly beautiful woman, just past thirty. She says that she knew Senator Brice intimately for thirteen knew Senator Brice intimately for the ten years, and that he promised her he would leave her \$50,000 in this will. This promise, she says, was often made, and she considered it a binding agreement. Tais bequest was to be made in consideration of certain services which she performed for

MORE OF FELDSTEIN'S LOSSES. Mention was made some time ago of the fact that Arnold Feldstein, the silk importer, had bankrupted himself in playing roulette. Forty-two checks, aggregating \$105,538 which had not been brought to light, were yesterday added to Feldstein's losses at the table, making his total losses \$162,254. His liabilities are \$971,897, and his assets \$195,636.

Maude Adams, after a vacation abroad, has returned to New York.

CISSY LOFTUS ILL, AGAIN.

Cissy Lottus, who recently vent South to recuperate and who fell overboard at Old Point, is ill again. During a perform-ance at Hashim's Grand Opera House ance at Hashim's Grand Opera House yesterday afternoon she fell in an unconscious fit. At first the audience thought the episode was a part of the reformance, but it was soon discovered that the actress was not acting. Miss Loftus was carried to her dressing-room and a physician summoned. She was restored to conscousness with considerable difficulty, and at last reports was confined to her bed. Inc physicians say that she is suffering from extreme nervous prostration, the being due to overwork before her strength

extreme nervous prostration, the relapse being due to overwork before her strength was restored.

GAVE BABY AWAY.

Mrs. Nellie Lang, while on a Pennsylvania Railroad ferry boat yesterday, saw a woman with a lovely baby in her arm. Mrs. Lang admired the baby extravagantly and the woman who held it told her that she might have it. Mrs. Lang had long wanted a baby, and she accopted the present in good faith. As soon as the boat went into the slip the woman who had given Mrs. Lang the baby disappeared. Mrs. Lang was delighted and took her little treasure home, but her relatives persuaded her to take it to the police station. The police took charge of the baby and sent it to the Bellevue Hospital as a foundling. foundling.

#### TAZEWELL PENSIONERS.

Col. Pendleton and Wife Issue Invitations to Their Silver Wedding. TAZEWELL, VA., June 16-Special.

For two days the town has been full of old Confederate veterans, gathered here to receive whatever the law allows them under the recent act providing for pensions. A good many of them thought they would receive large sums, and have their future amply provided for.

their future amply provided for. No doubt a great many will be disappointed in the amount allowed them, but all grateful for the amount received.

Colonel William C. Pendleton and wife have issued invitations to their silver wedding Monday night, the 18th.

Cards are out announcing the marriage on the 27th of Rev. J. E. Wool to Miss Katie Kelly, of this place. Mr. Wool is a popular minister of the Presbyterian Church, with his charge in West Virginia, and Miss Kelly is the youngest ginia, and Miss Kelly is the youngest daughter of the late Judge James R. Kelly, who was a resident of this place

quite sick, has gone to the country for the benefit of his health,

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# NEGROES LOOKING TO DEPORTATION

Telling Friends Good Bva in Anticipation-

Counties-The Noah of Petersburg Launches His Ark—Real Estate Sales in Prince George.

SELLING OFF PROPERTY.

PETERSBURG, VA., June 16-Special-The negroes in Sussex county are considerably stirred over the prospects of change in the Constitution of the State. In a section of the county, about thirty miles from Petersburg, there is quite a negro settlement. The settlers have fully discussed among themselves what the proposed change would mean to them, and they unanimously agree that if there is a new Constitution they will be sent beyond the boundaries of the State, and possibly to some of America's new possessions. Many are making preparation for what-

ever change may be brought about.
SELLING THEIR EFFECTS. Some are disposing of their personal effects and real estate, and others visiting the members of their family to bid them a last farewell lest when they are transferred to other lands they may not

One woman, formerly owned by a Pe-One woman, formerly owned by a Petersburg family, was here this week. After seeing all her friends in Petersburg she went to North Carolina for the purpose of seeing her relatives again before she sails. No amount of persuasion can dispel the liliusion of these people.

Deputy Charles Gee, of the United States Internal Revenue Department, has just returned to this city from the upper counties of the district, where he found and distroyen two large lilicit stills. A quantity of beer and whiskey was confiscated.

fiscated.

NOAH LAUNCHES HIS ARK. Mr. Goolrich, known here as "Noah." launched his boat this afternoon. The old man as seventy-five years old, and has been for several months busily employed is building bloomed as the seventy-five beautiful as the seventy-five beautiful as the seventy-five bloomed as the seventy-fi yed in building himself a boat. intends to set sail for Boston as soon as his boat is sinished, and if he succeed in reaching the cape before being swamped by the waves he will do well.

FARMS AT AUCTION. FARMS AT AUCTION.
Pannill's Sons, auctioneers, sold at their
offices in this city to-day for R. D. Gilliam, commissioner, the following tracts
of land in Prince George county:
Harrison's Grove, 50 acres, to E. A.
Poarch, \$225; tract of 203 acres to Rufus
Brockwell, \$670; tract of 35 acres, on Poarch, \$22; tract of 35 acres, on Powell's Creek, to E. A. Poarch, \$700; two tracts known as "Lawrence's" and "Walls," 700 acres, to E. A. Poarch, \$2,650; "Mount Pleasant" farm to W. E. Bois-

seau, \$900. STORES CLOSE.

The crockery and house-furnishing stores in this city will close at 5 o'clock after June 18th.

The grocers would also close each after-noon at this hour but for the fact that two of the leading stores refuse to do so.

CANVASSER IN TROUBLE Mr. Gardener, a canvasser for a Mutual Beneficial Association in this city, is wanted for alleged misappropriation of the company's funds. It appears The matter will pro-

session yesterday. The highest honor in the school, a scholarship in Washington and Lee University, was awarded to Ed-

High-Street Methodist church will give an excursion to Virginia Beach on July 12th. This church is striving to pay off the balance due on the improvement to the building, and the object of the ex-

Dr. Battle will preach a special sermon

ing Mrs. J. W. Whitehorn, on Washing-The Misses Winn, of Washington Street, have gone to the country for the

#### DAMAGES AWARDED.

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Government of Nicaragea.

WASHINGTON, June E.—The State
Department has just revelved the award
of the arbitrator, General E. 2 Alexander, of Savannah, in the case of the
Post-Glover Company, of Cincipauti, and
orr and Laubenheimer, of New Orleans,
against the Nicaraguan Government, for
ecunages sustained by them at Bluefields in the revolution of 1894.
Orr and Laubenheimer claimed \$13,000
damages because the Nicaragua Government commanded some of their steam
inunches and lighters loaded with banance. The arbitrator awards them damages to the extent of \$7,000.

The Post-Glover Company claimed damages to the amount of \$1,402 on account
of the seizure by the Nicaragua Government of certain electric construction matages belonging to the company. The

terial belonging to the company. The arbitrator awarded them the full amount

#### ELECTIONS OUIET.

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No Disorders at the Polls in Cuba on Yesterday.

WASHINGTON, June 18.—The War Department received the following cablegram to-day from General Wood at Havana:

"Elections in Havana progressing quietly without slightest disorder. No reports of disorder or trouble anywhere in the island thus far."

Freight Trains Crash.

HINTON W. VA., June 16-Spe-val.-An eastbound freight had just entered the lower portion of the Chesapeake and Daio yards here this morning when a Onto yards hers this had an ag-freight following ran into its rear, damag-ing the caboose of the forward train, four box-curs and their contents, and the engine of the train.
The loss to the company is estimated at

Brakeman A. L. Turner, who was asleep

in the caboose of the forward train, sus-tained very painful injuries, which may perhaps result seriously.

Accomac's New Courthouse, The splendid new court-house in Accomage county will be dedicated on Tuesday next,

county will be deficited on Tresady nacy, June 19th. Addresses will be made by Judges S. T. Ross and J. W. G. Blackstons and Mr. T. T. Upshur.

The court-house is said to be one of the handsomest in the State, being built of brick and trimmed with stone. Over the door, in large raised letters, is the word "Accomack," spelt with the "K." to perpetuate what the old citizens of the county claim to be the only correct way of spell. claim to be the only correct way of spell-

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is the power to digest and assimat various times the agent has collect-ed ten-cent premiums till he has in hand ilate a proper quanity of food. adjusted without legal proceedings being taken against the agent.

The Petersburg Academy closed for the

ward Carrington Venable.

High-Street Methodist church will give

for many years. She is also a sister of Mrs. Henry Preston, wife of the cashier of the Clinch Valley Bank. "I do," said John.
"Well, do you think shooting a hare on
a Sunday a work of necessity?"
"Certainly," said John.
"How do you make that out?"
"Well, you see, meenister, it micht be
awa' on Monday," was John's canny reply.—Spare Moments. "I do," sald John. sanitation. He showed by the figures that during a single generation, the average duration of life in Chicago has doubled. Ac-Dr. Calisch in Chicago, cording to statistics presented in 1869, the Rabbi E. N. Calisch has been in Chicago BUYIT The Best Chew In the world.

NONE GENUINE WITHOUT THE in attendance upon the National Confer-ence of Jewish Charities. He made one of the principal addresses. average age of decedents was 13.9 years, while in 1898, it was 29.4 years. He showed also that the average annual death-rate Mr. W. Reginald Walker, who has been